



**Assured Steel Certification** 

# Construction Steel Sustainability and Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) systems

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# **CARES - Assured Steel Certification**

- CARES certification provides confidence to the users, purchasers and specifiers of steels through a regime of third party
- regulation, testing and inspection
- Independent, not-for-profit certification body, established in 1983
- Provide accredited certification schemes primarily for constructional steels

### **Certification Services**

- Product Certification
- Management system certification
- Technical approvals
- Post Tensioning
- UKCA/UKNI
- Sustainable Constructional Steels Scheme
- BES 6001 Responsible Sourcing Certification



# **CARES** - Assured Services Offered

### **Product Conformity Certification**

- Reinforcing steel BS 4449, BS 6744, SS560, CS2, ISO6935 plus others (i.e. ASTM)
- Reinforcing steel fabrication BS 8666 (cut/bend), BS 4483 (fabric)
- Pre-stressing wire and strand BS 5896 plus others
- Welding of Reinforcing steel BS8548 / BS EN ISO 17660
- Approval of PT Installation for Highway Structures
- Approval of PT Installation for non Highway Structures
- Singapore Specialist Builders In-Situ Post Tensioning Works
- Alternative Structural Steel to BC1

### **Management Systems Certification**

- Quality Management systems to ISO 9001:2015
- Environmental Management systems to ISO 14001:2015
- Occupational Health and Safety Management systems to
- ISO 45001:2018

### UKCA/UKNI

- Structural steel sections to EN 10025:2004
- Constructional flat steel to EN 10025:2004
- Stainless Steel to EN10088-5:2009
- Pre-cast Concrete to various harmonized standards

### **Sustainability Certifications**

- Sustainable Construction Steel (SCS) Certification (Sector certification scheme UKAS accredited to BS 8902)
- BES 6001 Responsible Sourcing Certification
- ResponsibleSteel Certification
- Environmental Product Declaration to EN 15804 (3rd party verified EPD Report)
- Product carbon foot-printing (CF Report)

### **Technical approval**

- European Technical Approval of PT kit to EAD 160004
- Coupler approval (TA1-A to UK Highways Design Manual, TA1-B to BS8597 and TA1-C to Sellafield Nuclear Specification)
- Reinforcement Continuity Systems to CARES TA2
- Stud shear Reinforcing Systems to CARES TA7
- Pile Cage Connection Systems to CARES TA15

# **CARES** Accreditation Standards

BS EN ISO/IEC 17065:2012

BS 8902:2009

BS EN ISO/IEC 17021:2015

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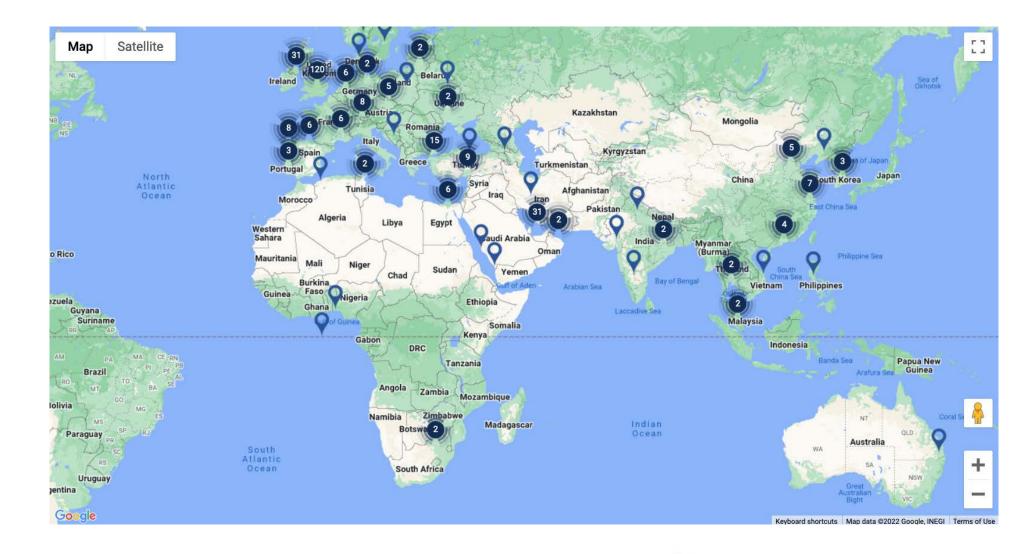








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# Major global projects



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# Major global projects and recognitions



# **Drivers for SUSTAINABILITY**

- New and developed sustainability legislation and standards
- Broadened scope of issues requiring systematic management and raised performance expectations
- International agreements such as the Paris Accord where 195 nation states agreed to keep global temperature rise this century well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels
- Breeam, Leed, Green Star, AI Sa'fat, Estidama Pearl, Ceequal and other building rating frameworks
- Balanced Scorecards, responsible sourcing procurement criteria in public and private sectors

The UK Modern Slavery Act, introduced in March 2016, requires any business with a worldwide turnover above £36m to publically report on its efforts to eradicate slavery and human trafficking in its entire value chain



# Construction SUSTAINABILITY

- The concept of sustainability within construction has become more sophisticated
- It now encompasses; labour rights, community considerations, business ethics as well as low carbon, environmentally improved buildings and infrastructure
- Expectations of effective management and performance run across the entire construction value chain from raw material sourcing, through product manufacture and transport to the construction site, use and end of life

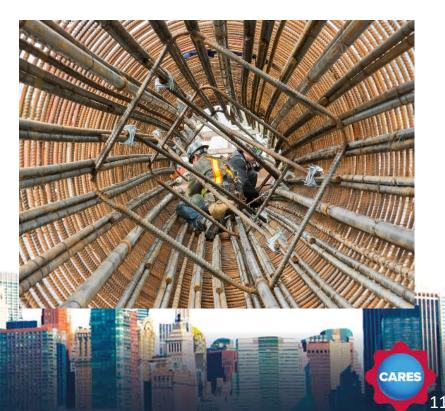
Third-Party Certification Bodies play a key role in independent data validation, auditing and reporting on behalf of construction companies



# Construction SUSTAINABILITY

- Increasing demand for accurate, accessible and timely information on the environmental, social and ethical impacts construction materials
- Major infrastructure and construction projects are increasingly incorporating sustainability into procurement frameworks
- Provides confidence to the designers, specifiers and owners of buildings and infrastructure

To achieve the objectives of lower carbon usage, efficient use of natural resources and confidence that labour and welfare standards are maintained in the supply chain, there is a need for relevant, reliable and trusted data



# The CARES Sustainable Constructional Steel (SCS) Scheme

- Set up in 2012, the scheme aims to deliver improved sustainability and resilience in the construction sector
- Applicable to primary producers of steel and fabricators who process that steel into building products that are used in a construction system
- Based on the principles of inclusivity, integrity, stewardship and transparency
- Stakeholder engagement is a key basis of the scheme and feeds into periodic review

Product scope covers reinforcing carbon steel, reinforcing stainless steel, other structural steels and hot rolled flat steel



# The CARES Sustainable Constructional Steel (SCS) Scheme

Accredited to BS 8902:2009 (Responsible sourcing sector certification schemes for construction products) by UKAS



Company-specific verified Environmental Product Declarations (EPD's), a requirement of the scheme, are accepted in the USGBC's LEED certification



Recognised by BREEAM Int' New Construction (2016) and BREEAM UK (2018) New Construction

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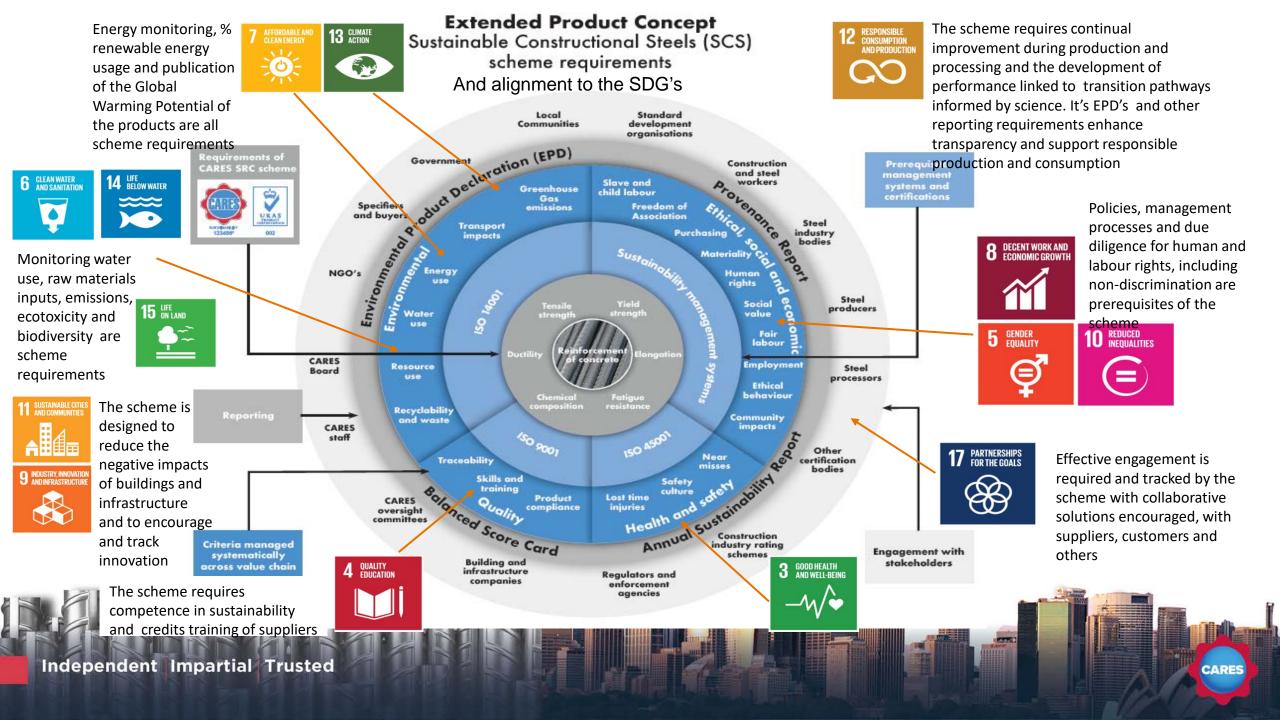
Recognition within other building rating frameworks





SINGAPORE GREEN BUILDING PRODUCT SGBC





## Key features of the CARES sustainability scheme The CARES Sustainability scheme - Scope

The certifications covered in the CARES Sustainability scheme:

- ISO 14001:2015 certification scheme
- ISO 45001:2018 (OHSAS 18001:2007 until its withdrawal in 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021)
- CARES SCS 'Sustainable Constructional Steel' scheme plus EPD Reporting
- BES 6001 'Responsible sourcing of constructional materials' scheme

CARES has been running the scheme for nearly more than 10 years and has approved many constructional steel producers and processors in UK, Ireland, Germany, France, Spain, Portugal, Turkey, Ukraine, UAE, Qatar, Oman etc.

CARES SCS certification is sector certification scheme and specifically developed for the constructional steel supply chain.



CARES SCS is UKAS accredited to BS 8902:2009 'Responsible sourcing sector certification schemes for construction products – Specification'.

## In total, 46 Certified Suppliers and Locations



This is a certly that Emirates Steel Industries Co. PJSC at autoblahmet a PO Box 9022, Mussafah, Abu Dhabi , United Arab Emirates

has been approved by the Authority to the CARES sustainable constructional steel scheme for the following operational assessment schedule using the processes and procedures registered with the Authority. The scheme complex with 55 87002:2009.

**CARES Sustainability Scheme Appendix 01** 

Scope of certification: Production of continuously cast steel billets

Production of hot rolled steel bar and coil for the reinforcement of concrete







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#### Belarus

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#### France

ALPA, Gargenville

#### Germany

ArcelorMittal Hamburg GmbH, Hamburg

#### Netherlands

🗢 Van Merksteijn B.V., Almelo

#### Ireland

🛑 Brazil & Co. (Steel) Ltd. T/A Fairyhouse Steel, Ratoath 🍅

 Midland Steel Reinforcement Supplies, Mountmellick, Co Laois ()

#### Portugal

SN Mata - Siderurgia Nacional, S.A., San Pedro Fins, Mata
 SN Setxal, Siderurgia Nacional, S.A., Setxal

#### Qatar

- Qatar Reinforcement Company, W.L.L., Doha
- Qatar Steel Company(QSC), Mesaleed

#### Spain

Megasa Siderúrgica SL, Naron

#### Turkey

- Bastug Metalurji Sanayi A.S., Osmaniye
- Colakoglu Metalurji A.S., Gebze
- Diler Iron and Steel Co Inc., Gebze
- Ekinciler Iron & Steelworks Inc., Iskenderun
- HABAS A.S., Izmir
- 🔵 ICDAS Celik Enerji Tersane Ve Ulasim Sanayi A.S., Biga 🍋
- Izmir Demir Celik Sanayi A.S., Izmir
- Kaptan Demir Celik Endustrisi Ve Ticaret AS
- Kroman Celik Sanayi A.S., Gebze
- Yazici Iron & Steel Co Inc., Iskenderun
- Yesilyurt Demir Celik, Samsun

# **Locations** of CARES sustainability scheme-approved suppliers

CARES has global reach. The SCS Scheme is internationally recognised as the preferred certification system for sustainable constructional steel. CARES-approved suppliers benefit from the wide acceptance of CARESapproved steel by green building rating systems around the world. The map showsCARES-approved suppliers, those which have started to achieve higher performance levels under the Rosette Rating System and their locations.



#### **United Arab Emirates**

- Conares Metal Supply Ltd, Rebar Mill, Dubai
- Emirates Steel Industries, ICAD I, Mussaffah, Abu Dhabi
- Hamriyah Steel FZC [Sharjah, United Arab Emirates]
- Union Iron & Steel Company L.L.C Mussafah, Abu Dhabi

#### United Kingdom

- ArcelorMittal Kent Wire Limited, Chatham
- ArcelorMittal Kent Wire Limited T/A AMCS, Chatham
- Capital Reinforcing Ltd, Bromborough (a)
- F Brazil Reinforcements Limited, Canvey Island
- Hy-Ten Reinforcement Co Ltd, Chatham (
- Lemon Groundwork Solutions Ltd, Wickford
- Midland Steel Reinforcement Supplies, London Thamesport
- Outokumpu Stainless Ltd. T/A ASR Rod Mill and Sheffield Stainless Bar, Long Products, Sheffield ()
- Outokumpu Stainless Ltd. T/A Sheffield Stainless Bar, Long Products, Sheffield ()
- Roe Bros & Co Ltd, Peterborough
- Thames Reinforcements Ltd, Sheemess

#### Ukraine

ArcelorMittal Krywy Rih PJSC., Krywy Rih

#### Oman

- Jindal Shadeed Iron and Steel LLC Sohar
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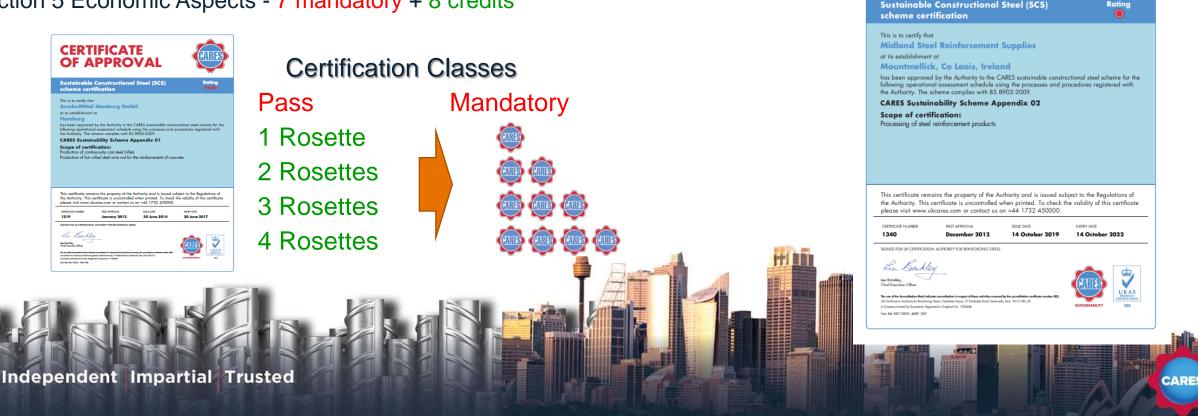
#### Key

- Reinfording Steel Producers (Electric Arc Furnace)
- Reinforcing Steel Producer (Integrated Iron and Steel Plant)
- Feedstock Coll Producer
- Structural Steel Producers
- Stainless Steel Reinforcing Bar Processor
- Flat Steel Producers
- Stainless Steel Reinforcing Bar Producers and Processors
- Reinforcing Steel Processors (Fabricators)

### **CARES SCS scheme - Assessment principles**

Mandatory requirements (CARES product conformity/FPC + ISO 9001 + ISO 14001 + ISO 45001)

 CARES Rosette Rating System (voluntary credits) Section 2 Sustainability Management - 29 mandatory + 9 credits Section 3 Environmental Aspects - 16 mandatory + 16 credits Section 4 Social Aspects - 18 mandatory + 13 credits Section 5 Economic Aspects - 7 mandatory + 8 credits



**QR** Code enables

confirmation of certification

and is one part of CARES digitisation programme

CERTIFICATE

**OF APPROVAL** 

Sustainable Constructional Steel (SCS)

# Balanced Scorecard - BSC and mandatory thresholds

Mandatory performance requirements including minimum thresholds for the most material criteria:

- GHG emissions shall be monitored, reported and under the defined performance thresholds
- LTIFR data shall be published and publicly accessible
- (for producers) at least 60% of suppliers by mass shall be evaluated for their ethical, social, environmental and economic impacts
- 3.b (for processors) shall purchase from SCS certified producers or from organisations possessing a valid sustainability certificate acceptable to CARES

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APPENDIX TO CARES CERTIFICATE NO. 1749 THAMES REINFORCEMENTS LTD.

Sustainable Constructional Steel (SCS)

scheme v09 - Balanced Scorecard

Rating PASS

Aspect	Indicator	Unit	Scor		
	Constructional Steel products supplied where each batch (cast/heat) to a specific order	76	100		
	Site has valid product conformity certification acceptable to CARES	YES/NO	YES		
Product Quality	Site covered by valid ISO9001 Quality Management System certific acceptable to CARES	TESINO	YES		
	Product placed on market deemed to comply with the relevant produ standards(s)	ct %	100		
Responsible Sourcing	For Producers: % of suppliers evaluated for sustainability impact duri selection and evaluation process For Processors: % of feedstock suppliers certified to CARES SCS sche equivalent acceptable to CARES	% suppliers by mass of raw	100		
	Global Warming Potential (Data from EPD to EN 15804 or equivaler cycle stages A1-A3)	produced	609.5		
	Renewable energy use	% of total production energy used	24.6		
Environment	Site covered by valid ISO14001 Environmental Management System certification	YES/NO	YES		
	For Producers Independently verified Environmental Product Declar report. For Processors Carbon Footprint report to ISO 14064:1 or EN		NO		
	Recycled content : Pre and Post consumer steel scrap in approved pr		96.8		
	Environmental and social complaints that resulted from a breach of I recognised by an external regulator	I otal number	NONE		
	Lost time infury frequency rate (LTIFR)	Lost time injuriesper million hoursworked	0		
Social	Site covered by a valid ISO 45001 (or OHSAS 18001 until 30th Sep 2021) Occupational Health and Safety Management system certifica	e YES/NO	YES		
oua	Freedom of Association	YES/NO	YES		
	Skills and Training - Apprenticeships per year	Total number	1		
	Skills and Training - Training hoursper worker per year	hours/year per worker	28.5 YES		
	Human rights due diligence completed				
Economic	Contribution to the economy through local employment and procure		YES		
Economic	Capable of producing Social Value data at postcode level to meet o requests	YES/NO	NO		
Local Culture Promotion and protection of culture, heritage and local languages and encouragement to participate in the arts, sports and recreation YES/N					
CERTIFICATE NUMBER	FIRST APPROVAL ISSUE DATE	EXPIRY DATE			
1749	February 2021 21 February	2021 21 February 2024	L		

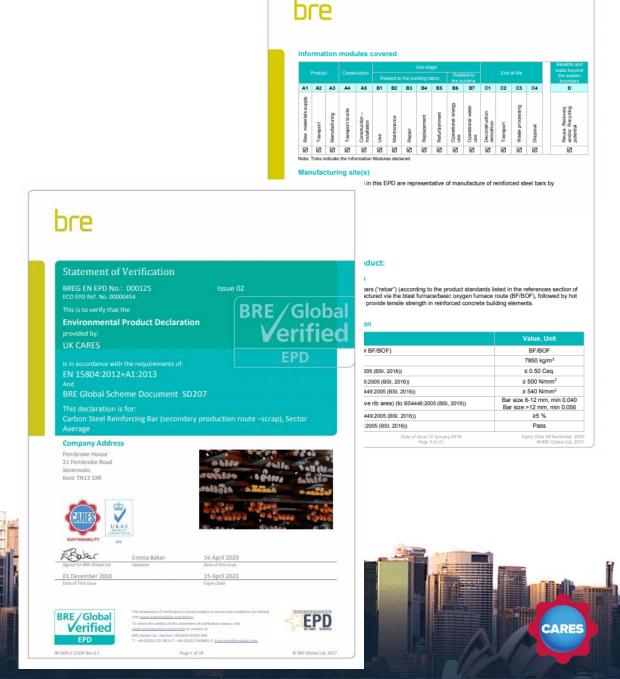
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### How authoritative is CARES data?

- Certification process: Application review; Stage 1 and Stage 2 detailed on-site audits each year
- Chances of data errors are reduced when compared to sample approach/less frequent audit cycle
- EPD data, which is updated once every 3 years, is subject to an additional verification stage by a third party – BRE
- Ongoing engagement between CARES auditors and the organisations supports a learning culture
- Annual SCS Scheme sector report



# Environmental product declaration (EPD to EN 15804)

### Carbon Reinforcing Steel, Structural Steel and Stainless Reinforcing Steel

The type of EPD developed by CARES and thinkstep for Carbon Reinforcing Steel, Structural Steel and Stainless Reinforcing Steel cover all life cycle stages namely "Product Stage", "Construction Process Stage", "Use Stage", "End-of-Life Stage" and "Benefits and Loads beyond the System Boundary". This EPD is said to be achieving the max available credits through "cradle-to-gate-with-options" mechanism (Modules A1 to D).

	Building Assessment Information (x = included in Life Cycle Assessment)																
	Proc	duct S	tage		uction s Stage		Use Stage End-of-Life Stage					Benefits and loads beyond the system boundary					
<u>11 - 11</u>	Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport to building site	Installation into building	Use / application	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	Deconstruction / demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse, recovery or recycling potential
+	<b>A1</b>	A2	<b>A3</b>	A4	A5	<b>B1</b>	<b>B2</b>	<b>B3</b>	<b>B4</b>	<b>B5</b>	<b>B6</b>	B7	<b>C1</b>	<b>C2</b>	<b>C3</b>	<b>C4</b>	D
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## **CARES Company-Specific Verified EPD**

### Secondary Production Route - Scrap:

	Manufacturer	Product Recycle Content (%)	GWP (kg CO2 eq)/tonne carbon steel reinforcing bars manufactured (A1-A3 life cycle stages)
	Scrap based 13 manufacturers (Sector Average)	96	760
	Yesilyurt Demir Celik	96.6	812
	Yazici Demir Celik, Turkey	98.6	672
	ICDAS, Turkey	94.5	890
	Diler Demir Celik, Turkey	97.2	876
	Izmir Demir Celik, Turkey	98.9	753
	Kroman Celik Sanayi, Turkey	90.7	978
	Ekinciler Iron & Steel, Turkey	98.0	824
	Bastug Metalurji, Turkey	98.4	765
	Habas, Turkey	97.9	759
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## **CARES Company-Specific Verified EPD**

### **Direct Reduced Iron Production Route:**

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		GWP (kg CO2 eq)/tonne carbon steel reinforcing bars manufactured			
	Content (%)				
Qatar Steel, Qatar	16.0	2560			
Emirates Steel, Abu Dhabi	8.6	2130			
Jindal Shadeed Iron & Steel, Oman	6.6	2280			

### Blast Furnace / Basic Oxygen Furnace Route (BF/BOF)

Manufacturer		GWP (kg CO2 eq)/tonne carbon steel reinforcing bars manufactured
	Content (%)	(A1-A3 life cycle stages)
ArcelorMittal Kryvyi Rih, Ukraine	14.4 - 20.1	2580
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# **Carbon cost**



After Brexit process, the UK replaced the EU ETS (Emissions Trading System) with the UK ETS. The UK gov is hearing / reviewing stakeholder views to make necessary changes in line with the Government's decarbonisation ambitions.

The price of UK ETS allowances has risen significantly since start of the scheme in May 2021 at £47/t to current levels of £93/t.

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The source of carbon cost is on this website https://www.theice.com/products/80216150/UKA-Futures/data?marketId=6675114&span=3

# CARES Approval in project specifications JTC, Singapore

### STEEL REINFORCEMENT

Steel reinforcement shall comply with SS 560, SS 561, BS EN 10080 and/or BS4449 All reinforcement bars shall be obtained from firms holding valid CARES (or equivalent schemes) product conformity and sustainability scheme certificates of approval for the production and supply of steel reinforcement.

- 1. H denotes high yield deformed bars type 2 (fyk= 500 N/mm2 , Class B)
- All mesh fabrics (WA, WB, WD) shall be high yield deformed bar. (fyk = 500 N/mm2)
- 3. Bending of reinforcement shall be in accordance with SS EN 1992 & NA
- 4. Laps other than those shown in the drawings shall be made only with the approval of the Engineer. This approval may not be given in areas of high reinforcement stress and/or congestion of reinforcement.
- 5. All lap lengths shall comply with the requirements of SS EN 1992 & NA . Splices shall be staggered wherever possible.

# **Recognitions -** Singapore Green Building Council (SGBC)



- The Singapore Green Building Council (SGBC) administers the Singapore Green Building Product (SGBP) certification scheme.
- The SGBP scheme is regarded as one of the key standards and benchmarks for green building products in the Singapore building and construction industry. As such, the SGBP is well recognised under the Green Mark Scheme, Singapore's national green building rating tool administered by the Building and Construction Authority (BCA).

CARES Sustainability Constructional Steel (SCS) scheme and Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) scheme are recognised by SGBP scheme.

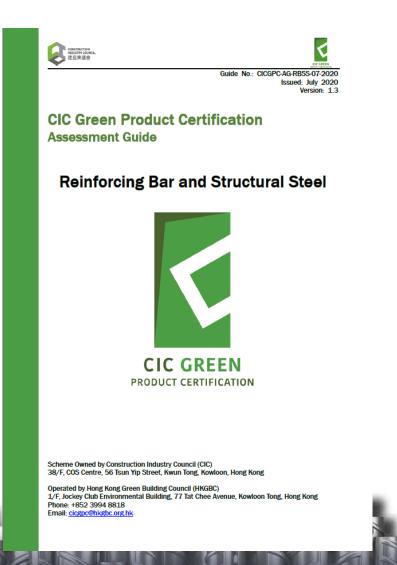
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Company attain UK CARES certificate UK CARES refer applicant to SGBC for product certification Submission for SGBP: UK CARES certificate + additional documents required for SGBP application

Applicant attain SGBP certificate

# **Recognitions** – Hong Kong Green Building Council (HKGBC)



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- The purpose of CIC Green Product Certification (the "Scheme") is to promote low carbon construction products in the market, and thus contributing to the transition of Hong Kong to a low carbon economy.
- Assessment Guide sets the product category rules (PCR) and benchmark for labelling low carbon reinforcing bars and structural steel products under the scheme and details the principles, requirements and guides for the quantification and reporting of the carbon footprint of products (CFP).

Third party verified EPDs, with a validity of 3 years, of CARES Sustainability Scheme approved manufacturers may also be used in the carbon auditing and reporting.

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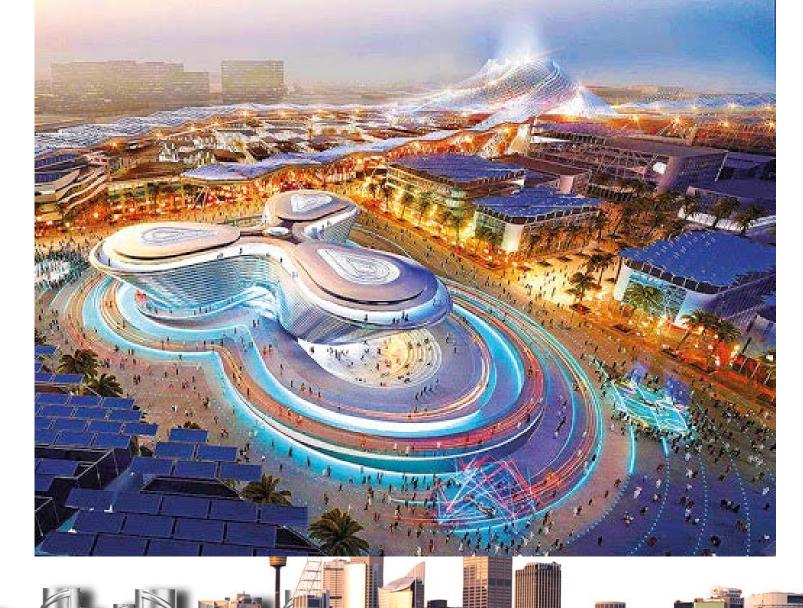
# **Specifying CARES – UK Highways**

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Specifications	Reference
Highways England- Specification for Highway Works Volume 1 Series <u>1000</u> <u>and 1700</u>	All steel reinforcement specified shall comply with <u>BS 4449 or BS</u> <u>4483</u> , shall be cut and bent in compliance with <u>BS 8666</u> and shall be obtained from a firm
National Building <u>Specification - E30</u> National Structural	holding a valid CARES (or fully equivalent scheme) certificate of
Concrete Specification	approval
for Building Construction (NSCS)	Producer
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### EXPO 2020 DUBAI



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## Specify CARES Approval in project specifications Dubai Expo 2020

Suggested text - UK project specifications – BS 4449 2005 – Product quality and from <u>a sustainable source</u>

All hot rolled and cold worked steel bars specified shall conform to BS 4449 (Grade B500B or B500C) and shall be cut and bent in accordance with BS 8666. The bars shall be obtained from firms holding valid CARES (or fully equivalent schemes) product conformity and **sustainability scheme certificates** of approval for the production and supply of the steel reinforcement.

NOTE For diameters ≤ 12mm, Grade B500A, Grade B500B or Grade B500C conforming to BS 4449:2005 may be considered. For diameters>12mm, Grade B500B or Grade B500C conforming to BS 4449:2005 shall be specified.

### Abu Dhabi QCC Certification Scheme for Constructional Scheme and The Estidama Pearl Rating System (PRS) by UPC





The Environmental Trustmark

### **3 THE ENVIRONMENTAL TRUSTMARK**

Products that achieve certification, through formal evaluation against the QCC certification scheme criteria defined in this document, will be granted a Certificate of Conformity and are licensed to bear the Abu Dhabi Trustmark in product promotion and merchandising. The Certificate of Conformity enables manufacturers, distributors and suppliers of reinforced steel products to present evidence of meeting appropriate standards for Abu Dhabi's built environment.

The Certificate of Conformity can be used to support the submission requirements of the Estidama Pearl Rating System **PBRS credit SM-10, PVRS credit SM-5 and PCRS credit SM-3**, to demonstrate the structural rebar steel products meet either the recycled content requirements or the **CARES** Sustainable Constructional Steel scheme certification.

## HONG KONG SPECIFICATION SECTION B – TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION Green House Gases Emission Specification

- The offered reinforcement bar / structural steel with any of the following supporting documents are preferred:
  - (i) Certificates by "CIC Green Product Certification Carbon Labelling Scheme"; or
  - Environmental Product Declaration prepared in accordance with the requirement of ISO 14025 or EN 15804 and certified by independent certification body, GHG verification body or third parties, e.g. Building Research Establishment Ltd (BRE); or
  - (iii) Certificate of Approval by UK Certification Authority for Reinforcing Steels (CARES) under Sustainable Constructional Steel (SCS) scheme.

# Any questions?

# Thank you

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